

Democrat and Republican alike, will join with the Republican leadership here and President Clinton in bringing about a positive vote on this.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. SHERWOOD (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today, on account of attending his daughter's college graduation.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. NORTON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BONIOR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LIPINSKI, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GREEN of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DUNCAN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WELDON of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DREIER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MORELLA, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes each day, May 15 and May 16.

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2412. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse at 1300 South Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the "E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 15, 2000, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7552. A letter from the Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting a report that includes a descriptive summary of appropriations requested for each project category under the Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) program element and the amounts obligated or expended or planned to be obligated or expended for each project; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7553. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting the Report on the Status of Pending Requests for Contract Adjustments and the Department's Plan for Eliminating the Backlog; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7554. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs: Breast Cancer Research Program; Prostate Cancer Research Program; and Defense Health Research Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7555. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a statement involving export transactions to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

7556. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the OMB Cost Estimate as required by the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended; to the Committee on the Budget.

7557. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting Abnormal occurrences at or associated with any facility licensed or regulated under the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 for Fiscal Year 1999, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5848; to the Committee on Commerce.

7558. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a draft bill entitled, "Community Access to Health Care Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Commerce.

7559. A letter from the Lieutenant General, Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Taipei Economic and Cultural Representatives for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 00-28), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

7560. A letter from the Lieutenant General, Director, Department of Defense, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (Transmittal No. 00-22), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

7561. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective March 12, 2000, the Department is extending the 15% danger pay allowance to the entire country of Uganda, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

7562. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report required by the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 describing the current conditions in Hong Kong of interest to the United States; to the Committee on International Relations.

7563. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7564. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Month in Review: February 2000 Reports, Testimony, Correspondence, and Other Publications; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7565. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting the Performance Report of the National Endowment for the Humanities for Fiscal Year 1999; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7566. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the legislative proposal entitled the "Omnibus Federal Human Resources Administrative Improvements Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7567. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting a draft bill, "To allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision, when required by state law, and for other purposes."; to the Committee on Resources.

7568. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, OAR, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—National Marine Aquaculture Initiative: Request for Proposals for FY-2000 [Docket No. 00309067-0067-01] (RIN: 0648-ZA82) received March 30, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7569. A letter from the Regulatory Policy Officer, ATF, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Increase in Tax on Tobacco Products and Cigarette Papers and Tubes [99R-88P] [T.D. ATF-420] (RIN: 1512-AB88) received March 29, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7570. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a proposed bill, "To amend 49, United States Code, to require manufactures of motor vehicles and items of motor vehicle equipment to test or perform other engineering analyses that demonstrate compliance of their products with all applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards, and for other purposes"; jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

7571. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Secretary's annual report on the implementation of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 4173; jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Government Reform.

7572. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Prison Industries, Inc., Department of Justice, transmitting the 1999 Annual Report of the Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (FPI), pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 4127; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Government Reform.

7573. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a draft bill entitled the "Medicare Modernization Act of 2000"; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Commerce, Rules, the Budget, and Government Reform.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. HOBSON: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 4425. A bill making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the